



Photo left: A firing detail of Soldiers, stands ready for observance at Hampton Roads. Soldiers were, from l-r, Spc. Gus Sillas, Pfc. Jonathan Al and Sgt. Sally Curlis. A NCOIC, standing at the head of the line. Bemis of The U.S. Coast Guard. Memorial Day observance event also included a 21-gun salute. The parade consisted of Soldiers from the 1st Marine Division. Photo right: Col. Bern L. were among the hundreds of flags in front of graves.

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2004 Memorial Day Weekend Scrapbook

Monroe pauses to rock, roll



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Terri Clark headlines the July 4 Fort Monroe concert.

Post summer concert series continues with Clark, Bentley

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With her scheduled induction into the Grand Ole Opry Saturday, and his recent Academy of Country Music award for top new artist, Terri Clark and Dierks Bentley are well on their way to achieving superstar status in the county music business. And it was no small feat arranging for the headliners to appear at Fort Monroe's July 4 concert at Walker Airfield as part of the installation's "4th at the Fort" festivities. Bentley will go on stage at 7 p.m., followed by Clark at 8:15. The fort's much-ballyhooed fireworks display will follow the show.

Described as the "kind of real-life gal who'll buy you a beer, let you cry on her shoulder and be the first one to give you a whoop and a high five when your ship comes in," Clark has produced five albums — two of them achieving platinum status in the U.S., and double and triple platinum status in Canada. Her current "Pain to Kill" album includes the hit singles "I Just Wanna Be Mad" and "Three Mississippi," which continue to rank high on the country music charts. Clark's "Greatest Hits" album is due out July 27. "I'm very sure of what I do See CONCERT, Page 13



Photo left: An enthusiastic fan reacts to Crossfire's rendition of "God Bless the USA" during the pre-Memorial Day concert here May 29. TUSCAB's Crossfire opened for featured artists REO Speedwagon. Photo below: Staff Sgt. Jeanine Lewis of the lead singers for Crossfire, performed the Fleetwood Mac favorite "Rhian." Other Crossfire members are: Sergeant Class Curt Brady and Derek Pearsall. Sergeants Jeff Wieck and Paul Baker. Sergeants Michael Webb and Robin S. Photo right: Bryan Hitt of REO Speedwagon wraps up a drum solo as the pre-Memorial Day concert draws to a close.





...il, comprised of 233rd Military Police Detachment, for the 21-gun salute during the Memorial Day at National Cemetery May 31. The detail members included Staff Sgt. Schirach, Spc. Christopher Walter, Sgt. Jonette Allen, Spc. Steven Worthley, Sgt. Fernando Martinez. Also visible is Staff Sgt. Joseph Addison, the detail leader at the rear of the formation. Photo above: Sgt. Jason Smith of the Continental Army Band performs Taps during the ceremony at Fort Monroe's Continental Park May 31. That day, a 1-cannon salute performed by a salute battery commander from Headquarters TRADOC and Fort Monroe garrison. Ruiz, TRADOC Futures Center, and his son Julian joined the ranks of volunteers who turned out May 28 to place markers at Hampton National Cemetery.

Photos by Patrick Buffett

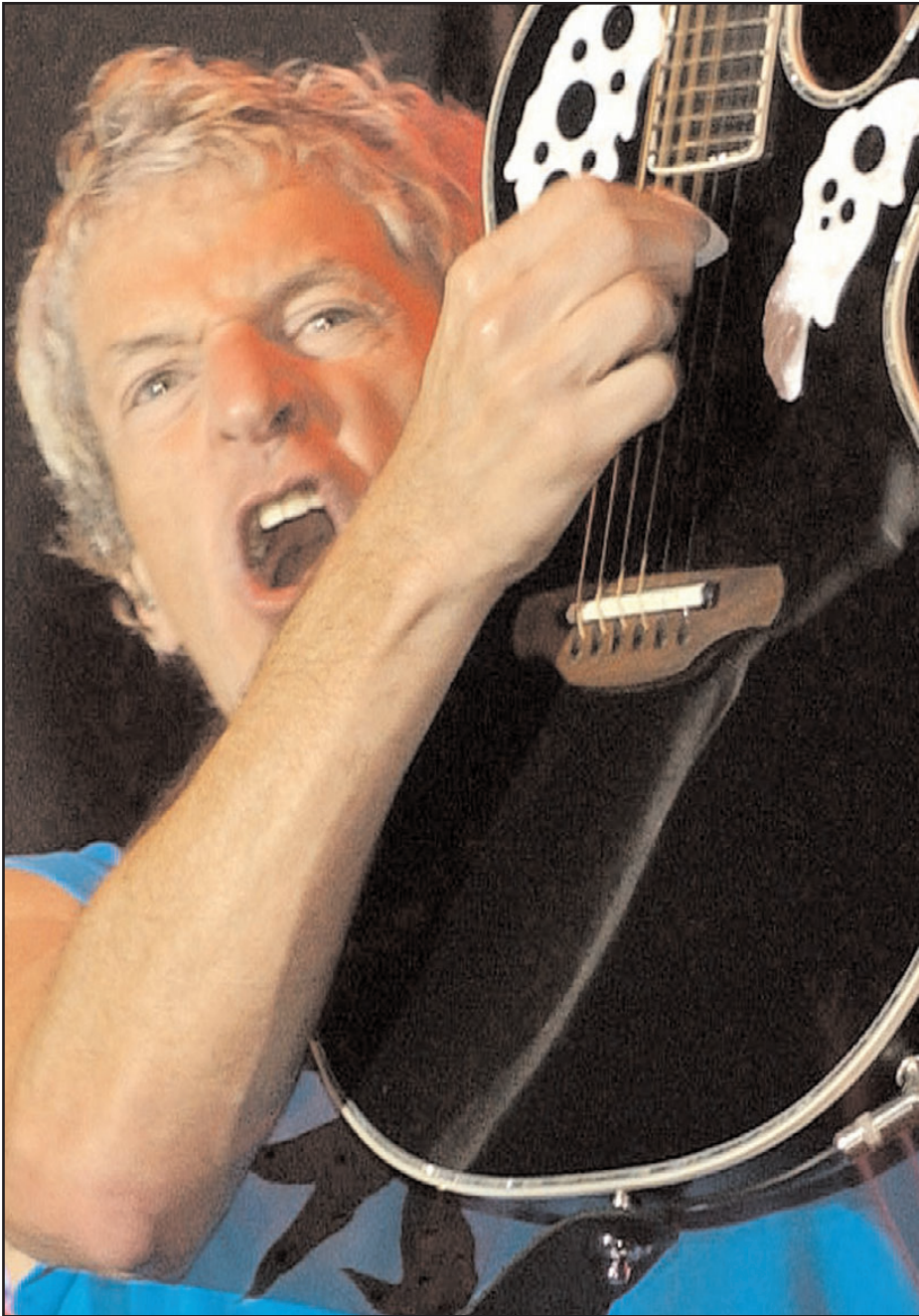


Photo below: Col. Perry D. Allmendinger, garrison commander, left, and Spc. Eric Hill of Headquarters Company, Fort Monroe render honors after placing a wreath in front of a fallen military member's grave during the Memorial Day observance at Hampton National Cemetery.



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REO Speedwagon's Kevin Cronin, pictured above, and Dave Amato, pictured left, work their musical magic on the crowd with rock 'n' roll classics like "Take it on the Run," "Roll With the Changes," and "Ridin' the Storm Out." As many as 5,000 fans turned out for the May 29 concert, according to "best guess" estimates.